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Guest Lecture: Circumbinary Exoplanets PHYS 480/581: Planetary Astrophysics

Exoplanets

✴Exoplanet - any planet orbiting a star that isn't our sun ✴planetary systems are common in the universe and incredibly diverse in size, composition, and orbital behavior

✴"hot-Jupiters", "super-Earths", and "water worlds"

All of the Kepler multi-planet systems 1815 planets in 726 systems, same size scale of the solar system

Transits

How it works:

• Monitor the brightness of a star over time, searching for consistent, regular drops in brightness, indicating a planet passing by!

Pros:

- **Easy to monitor** \bullet many stars
- **Constrains size of** \bullet planet

Cons:

- **Biased towards large,** \bullet close planets
- **Planets need to be** \bullet aligned

Interesting fact:

• Most discoveries with this method!

Apparent Brightness of Star

Courtesy: NASA

Circumbinary Exoplanets An introductory understanding

✴Orbit outside both stars in a tight binary (periods of order days)

 \ast An interesting backdrop to study both binary star AND planet formation

 $*A$ strikingly small number discovered so far, but so much community interest

✴Thinking beyond single stars ✴More stars have buddies than not

Overview

✴Binaries & eclipsing binaries ✴Introduction and importance

✴Formation of tight binary stars

✴Circumbinary planets (CBPs) ✴Formation and other science ✴The population of known CBPs ✴How do we find them?

Credit: Astronomical Society of Edinburgh

Stellar Multiplicity Binaries are quite common!

- ✴Although a slight majority of sun-like stars are single, there are more stars in our galaxy in binary or higher order systems than in single systems!
- $*$ MF (multiplicity frequency, blue): fraction of multiple systems
- ✴CF (companion frequency, red): average number of companions per target
- $\frac{1}{2}$ $\frac{1}{2}$

Picture a binary…

Sirius A & B Separation = $11.2'$

Are you Sirius… RA: 06h 45m 08.917s Dec: −16° 42**′** 58.02**″** V mag = -1.46 Distance: 2.64 pc (8.6 ly) Blue-ish giant & WD binary (WD is post-MS) 50 yr eccentric orbit

Is this a binary? Sometimes it's hard to tell!

TOI 118 CM Drac (exoplanet host)

Eclipsing binary stars Important constraints in stellar models

Eclipsing binaries offer a glimpse into: ✴Fundamental stellar parameters ✴Intergalactic distance scales ✴Calibrations of evolutionary and stellar population theories ✴The world of extrasolar planets, pulsating stars, degenerate remnants, dwarfs and giants ✴The world of ambitious observing surveys ✴Extensive super-computer calculations, big data science

✴And so much more!

Ihank you Andrej Prsa for these ideas!
Iow-mass EBs. Fig copied from Morales et al. (2008)

A phase-folded light curve of CM Drac, one of the most well-studied nearby

Light curve (LC): time-series flux data

Eclipses + Transits

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Deph = \frac{R_p^2}{R_*^2} \qquad R_p = plane t \text{ radius}
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b = \frac{a \cos i}{R_*} \qquad \text{for initial distance}
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b = \frac{a \cos i}{R_*} \qquad \text{(orbital distance)}
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F_{\text{d}ur} = \frac{P}{\pi} \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{(R_* + R_p)^2 - (bR_*)^2}}{R_*} \right)
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Eclipsing binaries

Example TESS LCs

Kepler EB orbital period distribution

Compare to binary populations EBs sample a tail of the overall period distribution

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Prob \approx \frac{2R_*}{a}
$$

Eclipse probability:

JAMES WEBB SPACE TELESCOPE **CARINA NEBULA | NGC 3324**

From the Dust Two stars are born

What shrinks binary orbits? Forming binaries on the shortest periods

- $*$ Tightest binaries might form via Kozai-Lidov oscillations & tidal friction (KLOTF)
	- •Due to influence from hierarchical triple system, which removes angular momentum from tight binary
- **Effect on CBPs**

•Will cast CBPs to inclined and eccentric orbits, making them difficult to find

A triple origin for the lack of tight coplanar circumbinary planets around short-period binaries

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Kraus, S. et al., A triple-star system with a misaligned and warped circumstellar disk shaped by disk tearing. (2020).

Quick recap

- zoo of stars
	- $*$ They're even more common for higher-mass stars
-
- ✴ Tight binaries form via:
	- **Disk fragmentation**
	- •Core/turbulence mediated
	- **•N-body interactions**

✴ Binaries are more common than you might think, and are an important part of our galactic

✴ Eclipsing binaries yield a LOT of science, including model-independent stellar parameters

✴The tightest binaries form via KLOTF

✴ Binary: circular 7.4d orbit

- Primary: solar-like star
- Secondary: smaller M-dwarf star

✴ Three planets!

- $*$ Inner planet: sub-Neptune with a $~\tilde{}$ 50d orbital period
- $^{\textstyle{*}}$ Middle planet: Saturn-sized with a $\tilde{}$ 190d orbital period
- $^{\rm \ast}$ Outer planet: Uranus-sized with a $\tilde{~}$ 300d period

Circumbinary Systems Planets orbiting two stars

Example: Kepler-47 system

VideofromSpace channel on Youtube

CBP formation Central cavities, dynamic inner disks, but sorta normal

✴Binaries carve central cavities, restricting close orbits

✴Beyond cavity, binaries make planet formation nightmarish in inner disk

✴Likely smooth sailing in the outer disk, but possibly less material, unless actively accreting

Forming CBPs e sy…right?

✴Circumbinary disks tend to be hostile to planet formation ✴Torques and tides

 $*$ High eccentricities and relative velocities \rightarrow more often leads to breaking than sticking collisions \mathcal{A} Magnetorotational instabilities ✴Oh My!

 \ast Tight binary stars might disperse their disks more quickly \ast than single stars, giving planets less time to form

PLANETS KEPLER 16b, KEPLER 34b, AND KEPLER 35b

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ABSTRACT

We study planetesimal evolution in circumbinary disks, focusing on the three systems Kepler 16, 34, and 35 where planets have been discovered recently. We show that for circumbinary planetesimals, in addition to secular forcing, eccentricities evolve on a dynamical timescale, which leads to orbital crossings even in the presence of gas drag. This makes the current locations of the circumbinary Kepler planets hostile to planetesimal accretion. We then present results from simulations including planetesimal formation and dust accretion, and show that even in the most favorable case of 100% efficient dust accretion, in situ growth starting from planetesimals smaller than \sim 10 km is difficult for Kepler 16b, Kepler 34b, and Kepler 35b. These planets were likely assembled further out in the disk, and migrated inward to their current location.

Key word: planets and satellites: formation

THE ROLE OF MULTIPLICITY IN DISK EVOLUTION AND PLANET FORMATION

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ABSTRACT

The past decade has seen a revolution in our understanding of protoplanetary disk evolution and planet formation in single-star systems. However, the majority of solar-type stars form in binary systems, so the impact of binary companions on protoplanetary disks is an important element in our understanding of planet formation. We have compiled a combined multiplicity/disk census of Taurus-Auriga, plus a restricted sample of close binaries in other regions, in order to explore the role of multiplicity in disk evolution. Our results imply that the tidal influence of close (\leq 40 AU) binary companion significantly hastens the process of protoplanetary disk dispersal, as \sim 2/3 of all close binaries promptly disperse their disks within \lesssim 1 Myr after formation. However, prompt disk dispersal only occurs for a small fraction of wide binaries and single stars, with $\sim 80\% - 90\%$ retaining their disks for at least \sim 2–3 Myr (but rarely for more than \sim 5 Myr). Our new constraints on the disk clearing timescale have significant implications for giant planet formation; most single stars have 3–5 Myr within which to form giant planets, whereas most close binary systems would have to form giant planets within ≤ 1 Myr. If core accretion is the primary mode for giant planet formation, then gas giants in close binaries should be rare. Conversely, since almost all single stars have a similar period of time within which to form gas giants, their relative rarity in radial velocity (RV) surveys indicates either that the giant planet formation timescale is very well matched to the disk dispersal timescale or that features beyond the disk lifetime set the likelihood of giant planet formation.

Key words: binaries: close – binaries: visual – planets and satellites: formation – protoplanetary disks – stars: formation – stars: pre-main sequence

Forming CBPs How DOES it work? —> migration!

✴Things are more stable farther from the binary—> these regions look similar to single-star systems!

 \ast This means that planets likely form farther out in the disk and then migrate inward

 $*$ Migration occurs as a result of torque imbalances, which serve to push the planet inwards

1. Planet migrates to the disk inner edge after formation at outer area.

2. Planet moves to an orbit where positive and negative torque balance. Balancing point moves outward as protoplanetary disk dissipates.

3. Planet remains near the unstable boundary after disk dissipation.

Yamanaka & Sasaki ((2019)

CBPs Exist!

What do we know about them?

What Do We Know So Far? Trends in known CBPs

- ✴ CBPs have longer orbital periods and larger radii than most other known planets
	- •Bias? Formation? Binaries?

Illustration

Credit: Discover Magazine

Planet Migration

Type I

due to tidal forces, which mainly occur between the star and the planet and tend to result in more circular orbits.

happens when the planet is massive enough to open a gap in the disc so that a flow barrier to the disc gas may be established. Type II migration is usually inwards.

Type II

 a gas driven process in which the planetary disk effectively pushes or pulls the planet to a new position

low-mass planet high-mass planet

All Aboard! Migration Station Α pileup as evidence for orbital migration

- $*$ Many CBPs have been found near their stability limits for their respective binary: is this real or is this bias?
	- •It's not bias, it's consistent with a log-uniform distribution of periods (Li, Holman, & Tao 2016)
	- •Could be no pile-up at all, just change how you define stability (Quarles et al., 2018)
- If this is confirmed as a real trait of this population, it is further evidence of the importance of orbital migration in these systems

CBP migration

Planet migration in massive circumbinary discs

Teasdale & Stamatellos, 2023 MNRAS 526, 6248–6257 (2023)

ABSTRACT

Most stars are in multiple systems, with the majority of those being binaries. A large number of planets have been confirmed in binary stars and, therefore, it is important to understand their formation and dynamical evolution. We perform simulations to investigate the migration of wide-orbit giant planets (semimajor axis 100 au) in massive circumbinary discs (mass $0.1 M_{\odot}$) that are marginally gravitationally unstable, using the three-dimensional Smoothed Particle Hydrodynamic code SEREN. We vary the binary parameters to explore their effect on planet migration. We find that a planet in a massive circumbinary disc initially undergoes a period of rapid inward migration before switching to a slow outward migration, as it does in a circumstellar disc. However, the presence of the binary enhances planet migration and mass growth. We find that a high binary mass ratio (binary with equal mass stars) results in more enhanced outward planet migration. Additionally, larger binary separation and/or higher binary eccentricity results to a faster outward planet migration and stronger planet growth. We conclude that wide-orbit giant planets attain wider final orbits due to migration around binary stars than around single stars.

- : transit depth *δ*
- *q*: binary mass ratio

- massive planets than those with single star hosts (Childs & Martin, 2021)
- Stable formation of terrestrial planets is permitted (Barbosa et al., 2020) \ast Low mass planets may be disrupted or ejected during migration through binary resonances \ast Especially for smaller rocky planets in the presence of a giant

CBPs Big …and small, maybe?

Dilution of transit signals in binaries:

• R_p, R_{CBP} : Planet or circumbinary planet radius

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R_p = R_{star}\sqrt{\delta}
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R_{CBP} = R_{star}\sqrt{\delta(1+q^{3.5})}
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R_p = \sqrt{1+q^{3.5}}
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Simulations of CBP formation in a coplanar disk show that these systems yield fewer and more

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q=\frac{M_2}{M_1}
$$

The 1st transiting CBP Kepler-16AB b

PLANET TYPE Gas Giant

MASS 0.333 Jupiters

ORBITAL RADIUS 0.7048 AU

ECCENTRICITY 0.01

DISCOVERY DATE 2011

PLANET RADIUS $0.754 \times$ Jupiter

ORBITAL PERIOD 228.8 days

DETECTION METHOD Transit

RELAX ON

THE LAND OF TWO SUNS

WHERE YOUR SHADOW ALWAYS HAS COMPANY

✴Dilution of transits ✴Difficult to find smaller planets! R_{CBP} $= \sqrt{1 + q^{3.5}}$

✴Transit timing, depth, and duration variability ✴Requires individual event searches

✴Noisy/unruly EBs Binaries Alanets

Finding transiting CBPs …is quite the challenge

Rp

✴Short baselines for most EBs

What About Systems of CBPs? Multiplicity in circumbinary systems

✴Two multi-planet systems discovered to date ✴ Kepler-47: three planets ✴ TOI-1338/BEBOP-1: two planets

✴Detections of additional transiting planets around known CBP hosts are expected to be limited, making probing this space difficult

✴We don't yet know whether most systems are single or multi-planet

 -0.5

 -1.0

 $0.0\,$

Distance [AU]

 0.5

TOI-1338/BEBOP-1

✴ Binary pairing is either "twin" binaries OR "small Q" binaries ✴ Revealing of binary formation pathways!

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Known CBP Hosts Further hints towards formation

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Why no M+M CBPs (yet)?

Low frequency of M+M binaries •No good formation channels for M dwarf primaries

Previous observations and searches were not suited for M dwarfs

•TESS gives us the opportunity to sample more M+M binaries!

Plotted using data from D. J. Armstrong, et al. A catalogue of temperatures for Kepler eclipsing binary stars, *MNRAS* (2014)

Can M+M binaries yield planets?

Why are M+M binaries exciting?

✴Single M dwarfs are interesting for many reasons:

- ✴ Hosts to diverse systems of planets
- ✴ Challenging tests of planet formation (low- and highmass alike)
- ✴ More easily accessible HZ planets

✴More M+M binaries are accessible than ever with TESS!

 $*$ Represents a new chance to examine these questions from a different perspective

- $*$ Binary periods between roughly 7-50 days
- ✴ Why not shorter-period binaries?

Known CBP Hosts Further hints towards formation

KLOTF!

Clues from host metallicity

 \ast Metallicity loosely tells us about the resources available for planet formation $*$ Majority of CBP hosts are sub-solar metallicity and below median of transiting planet hosts ✴ What about compared to other binaries? ✴ Further clues to tight binary formation!

How do we look for more?

Acknowledgement to Ethan Kruse and Brian Powell for their willingness to share their list of FFI EBs prior to publication!

Acknowledgement to Andrej Prša and his team of collaborators for the 2-min EB sample and their continuing work on the forthcoming FFI sample.

TESS Eclipsing Binary Sample ~4,500 in 2-min PM sample + ~500,000 in FFI sample

Know thy Binary To know thy planet TIC 318986273 simultaneous

Knowing the physical characteristics of the stars in the binary will in turn allow us to calculate physical parameters for the planets we find

But how??

TIC 1787233

TIC 379215982 simultaneous

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Wavelength (Angstrom)

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30000

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TIC 308751185 simultaneous

TIC 278683641 simultaneous

By using information about the binaries we get "for free" from light curves and fitting this in tandem with flux information in different bandpasses, we can extract physical parameters like mass and radius

Light curve examples

TIC 363326796; period = $11.396d$

0.80

The Search for Transit Events Stage 1: Generate light curves Stage 3: Search for events

Stage 2: Identify and remove eclipses

Example Calculation: Smallest detectable CBP

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Could we find Tatooine?

Exercise: Circumbinary Planet Habitability

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Habitability considerations

Not so different than HZs around single stars!

IMPORTANT CAVEAT: HZs are dynamic

Shown: Kepler-453 system (sun-like star + M dwarf) Kepler-453b orbiting at 0.79 AU

Credit: Tobias Müller (Müller & Haghighipour, 2014)

Other habitability considerations

- ✴Might be super-habitable: Migration of planets in disk naturally coincides with HZ
- \ast Photoevaporation of planet atmospheres due to XUV flux
- ✴Not yet understood: ✴Effects of magnetic fields ✴Secondary outgassing after photoevaporation

Figure 6 from Johnstone et al., A&A (2019)

Injection Testing What are we sensitive to in our search? What can we really test?

✴Sometimes we have sensitivity to Neptunes or Saturns

✴Sometimes we have sensitivity to only giants

✴Sometimes there is semimajor axis dependence

✴Rarely do we have reliable sensitivity to terrestrial planets

Wrap up What did we learn?

✴Binary stars are interesting!

✴Circumbinary planets (CBPs) tend to be gas giants orbiting solar-type stars with either an M dwarf or another solar-type star

✴Eclipsing binaries in particular give us an exquisite glimpse into stellar properties

✴We're searching for more CBPs in TESS light curves!

Future Directions Work to be done

- $\textcolor{red}{*}$ Finish vetting candidate detections and refit using a more realistic model
- ✴ Continue binary modeling
	- •Introduce to UNM-CARC
- ✴ Injection and recovery
	- SPOC light curve generation process (currently SAP)
	- •Synthesize populations of planets to detect (rather than individual basis each time)
- Calculate occurrence rates
	- •Examine current biases and introduce corrections
- $*$ See what we can find in FFI sample (will be 15-20x larger sample!)

• Still working through deepening injections; currently at TPF level but doesn't go through whole

Places We Cannot Go Stability limit imposed by the binary

Holman, M. J., & Wiegert, P. A. 1999, AJ, 117, 621

 $M₂$

 $M_1 + M_2$

Copied Fig. 1 from Thun, Kley, & Picogna (2017) Simulation of Kepler-16 system shows absence of material inside a critical orbit!

Primary and secondary orbits shown in white and green, respectively

✴ a*bin*: Binary semi-major axis ✴ e*bin*: Binary eccentricity · Higher e, larger acrit ✴ µ*bin*: Binary reduced mass ratio Stability limits depend on:

μbin =

Detection of new transits of TOI 1338 b

Four new transit events since publishing!

Differences between predicted and actual transit times are indicative of an extra, non-transiting planet in the system (confirmed earlier this year in Standing et al.)

Discovery published in 2020

Saturn-sized planet orbiting a G+M binary

CBP Habitability

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The Kepler Space Telescope

Kepler **HE NUMBERS**

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- Allows us to constrain physical sizes and orbital properties of things that we see!
- $*$ For binary stars, we have to contest with the fact that both stars are luminous
- Good photometric models of tight binaries will include effects like:
	- **Stellar spots**
	- •Limb darkening
	- •Light travel time corrections
	- Doppler boosting
	- •Detached-ness

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